

THE OFFICIAL CALENDAR

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

The Sporting Review has been appointed the Official Calendar for the publication of all programmes in the Provincial District of Auckland, in terms of Rule 17 of the Rules of Racing.

The programme of each meeting in which the added money is £100 or upwards must be advertised in full once at least in the Official Calendar. The advertisement shall show that the programme has been approved by the Jockey Club, shall state the days on which the meeting is to begin and end, and the names of the stewards, judge, starter, clerk of the scales, and handicapper.

All notifications for the future published in this column are so published under the authority of the Auckland Racing Club, and are binding on country clubs and others, who must therefore duly note the same.

COLOURS.

- (Registered with the Auckland Racing Club.) Mr. Marangai ... First colours—The Hui: Black jacket, old gold collar, white armlets, black cap, white peak. Second colours—Pink jacket, black cap. Mr. J. Forth ... Blue body, white sleeves and saah, blue and white cap. Mr. J. Malcolm ... Black body, pink sleeves and cap. Mr. A. J. Wilson ... White jacket, yellow saah, and white cap, yellow tassel. Mr. B. Thompson ... All red. Mr. John Dennis ... Chocolate jacket, gold cap. Mr. J. Lowther ... Blue jacket, white sleeves and cap. Mr. J. Marshall ... All black. Mr. T. Morrin ... Black and amber stripes, black cap. Mr. W. Bobbett ... Black jacket, amber saah, white cap. Mr. B. Burke ... Black body, gold sleeves and cap. Mr. A. Buckland ... Black and white stripes. Major F. N. George ... Black and white hoops. Mr. N. Dickey ... Blue and white hoops, blue cap. Mr. L. D. Nathan ... Pale blue jacket and cap, black saah. Mr. W. Turner ... Sky blue and white stripes, white cap. Mr. W. Robertson ... Chocolate body, gold sleeves and Terra cotta and blue (cap). Mr. D. McKinnon ... Maroon body, gold sleeves. Mr. H. H. Hayr ... Salmon and blue hoops. Mr. W. Walters ... Rose and white stripes. Mr. S. Cotton ... Primrose jacket, blue saah and cap. Mr. C. Weal ... First colours—Blue body, gold sleeves and blue cap. Second colours—Blue jacket, white saah and blue and white cap. Mr. A. Davis ... Old gold body, crimson sleeves and cap.

PROGRAMMES PASSED.

- Avondale Spring—December 3. South Auckland Racing Club Summer, Dec. 16 and 17. Matamata Races, December 26. Alexandra Annual—December 26. Thames Jockey Club Summer, December 26 and 27. Waerenga-a-Hika Summer, December 28. Thames Jockey Club's Summer, December 27 and 28. Ormond Races, January 2. Poverty Bay Turf Club Summer, January 10 and 11. Gisborne Racing Club, January 17 and 18. Papakura Races, March 17. Drury Races, December 23. Whatawhata Races—January 2. Takapuna Jockey Club Summer, January 28 and 30. Te Aroha Jockey Club, Winter, May 24. Otorohanga Racing Club, December 23. Otago Jockey Club, December 28. Ngaurawhia Racing Club, January 21, 1893. Bay of Plenty Racing Club, January 30, 1893. Rotorua Jockey Club, February 18, 1893.

DISQUALIFICATIONS.

The following disqualifications by the Te Aroha Jockey Club have been endorsed by the A.R.C.—That the horse Arawa, or Emmet, be disqualified for life, and that Mr. Grant be disqualified during the pleasure of the Club.

REMOVAL OF DISQUALIFICATION.

The disqualification of Mr. E. May for betting totalisator odds was removed by the Auckland Racing Club on September 16. The disqualification of Red Rose for running at unregistered meetings has been removed by the A.R.C.

JOCKEYS' LICENSES.

Licenses have been granted by the A.R.C. to the following Jockeys: W. McLean, Gisborne; T. Hodson, Wharfedale; E. Munro, Papakura; Dennis Morrison, Ellerslie; Alex. Williams, Ellerslie. F. Burns, A. E. Byers, W. Bird, W. Powell, D. Creamer, R. Collins, J. Carey, J. Dawson, C. Coleman, S. Ferguson, Martin Grace, Alfred Say, W. Gallie, J. Golding, Augustus Manning, T. Steward, E. Hall, W. Hammond, K. Heaton, C. Tutt, J. Katterns, W. McMinamin, E. Priest, W. Quartermain, W. Smith, F. Dodd, J. Pennel, J. Pyne, Alf. Patterson, F. Reid, Ambrose C. Dixon, W. Rayner, W. Gillie, J. Rae, G. Donovan, W. Shaw, T. Taylor, C. Weal, H. Weal, W. Beaumont, D. Wright, E. Williams, W. Wilmot.

This Committee of the Auckland Racing Club meet on the first Friday in each month to pass programmes and transact general business. WM. PERCIVAL, SECRETARY.

LIST OF RACING CLUBS UNDER A.R.C.'S JURISDICTION.

- Alexandra Racing Club ... Wm. Searanoke. Awitu Racing Club ... H. Millett. Avondale Jockey Club ... H. H. Hayr. Bay of Plenty Jockey Club ... J. D. Dailey. Babylon Racing Club ... Hone Paupate. Drury Racing Club ... D. Maher. Franklin Racing Club ... J. Walker. Gisborne Racing Club ... M. G. Nasmith. Gisborne Park Steeplechase Club ... M. G. Nasmith. Henderson's Mill Turf Club ... R. Wynyard. Helmsville Racing Club ... S. J. Moncrieff. Katikati Jockey Club ... John Brown. Lake Racing Club ... Jas. Ansenne. Matakohe Racing Club ... G. Gallie. Mangatangi Racing Club ... Tohi Kuri. Matamata Racing Club ... J. Clark. Northern Wairoa R. Club ... W. McLeod. Ngaurawhia Racing Club ... T. W. Simpson. Otago Jockey Club ... W. Parkinson. Otorohanga Racing Club ... C. F. Mark. Otago Jockey Club ... Wm. Searanoke. Otago Jockey Club ... E. Edwards. Oxford Racing Club ... Honi Tupere. Opanaki Jockey Club ... J. H. Aislabie. Ormond Racing Club ... W. L. Lockhart. Papakura Racing Club ... J. H. Aislabie. Poverty Bay Turf Club ... H. H. Hayr. Pakuranga Hunt Club ... J. Jackson. Poroti Racing Club ... Chas. Newberry. Richmond Racing Club ... Robert King. Rotorua Jockey Club ... G. H. Carter. South Auckland R. Club ... E. Wynyard. Takapuna Jockey Club ... H. H. Hayr. Tattersall's Club ... E. H. Greenalade. Te Aroha Jockey Club ... E. S. Smith. Tawhau Racing Club ... E. G. Speake. Turangitahi Racing Club ... J. H. Aislabie. Tuhakura Bay Jockey Club ... Geo. Kilburn. Te Kaiti Racing Club ... H. M. Hettet. Te Toka Racing Club ... W. Brady. Whangarei County R. Club ... G. E. Alderton. Walkato Hunt Club ... A. J. Storey. Whangamata Racing Club ... Te Wharepapa. Waikato Racing Club ... Robt. Grunter. Waipatu Jockey Club ... J. E. Dalton. Waipunga-a-Hika J. Club ... J. A. Harding. Waipuu Jockey Club ... K. McLenahan. Whatawhata Racing Club ... E. C. Shepherd.

ASSUMED NAMES.

The following assumed names are registered with the Auckland Racing Club—Mr. L. Ward, Mr. J. Hawatson, Mr. J. Malcolm, Mr. Marangai, Mr. J. Forth, Mr. W. Turner, Mr. B. Thompson, Mr. J. Dennis, Mr. J. Lowther, Mr. J. Suttou, Mr. C. Archibald, Mr. Arthur Morgan, Mr. J. Bland.

SPORTING FIXTURES, ETC

COMING EVENTS.

- Dec. 23. Awitu Races. Dec. 23. Otorohanga Races. Dec. 26. Otago Races. Dec. 26. Alexandra Races. Dec. 26. Hawke's Bay J.C. Summer. Dec. 26, Jan. 2, 3. Auckland Racing Club's Summer. Dec. 26. Matamata Races. Dec. 26. Waerenga-a-Hika Summer. Dec. 26. Lower Valley (Wairarapa) Jockey Club's Summer Meeting. Dec. 26, 27. Manawatu R.C.'s Summer. Dec. 26, 27. Thames J.C. Summer. Dec. 28. Ashurst-Pohanginn Racing Club. Dec. 28. Drury Races. Dec. 27, 31. Auckland Trotting Club Summer. Dec. 30. Marton Jockey Club. Jan. 2. Whatawhata Races. Jan. 2. Ormond Races. Jan. 10, 11. Poverty Bay Turf Club Summer. Jan. 17, 18. Gisborne Racing Club's Summer. Jan. 21. Ngaurawhia Racing Club. Jan. 23, 25. Wellington Racing Club's Summer. Jan. 23, 30. Takapuna Jockey Club Summer. Jan. 30. Bay of Plenty. Feb. 16. Rotorua Jockey Club. Feb. 16, 18. Egmont Racing Club. Feb. 22, 23, 25. Dunedin J.C. Autumn. Mar. 9, 10. Wanganui Jockey Club. Mar. 16, 17. Hawke's Bay J.C. Autumn. March 17. Papakura Races. March 17. Ohinemuri Races. Mar. 23. Dunedin J.C. Anniversary. April 3, 4. Auckland Racing Club Autumn. April 8. South Auckland Racing Club Autumn. May 10. Egmont Racing Club Winter. May 24. Takapuna Jockey Club Winter. May 24, 27. Dunedin J.C. May Meeting. June 23. Hawke's Bay J.C. Winter.

NOMINATIONS.

- Dec. 30. Takapuna J.C. Summer. Jan. 6. Wellington R.C. Summer. Jan. 7. Bay of Plenty J.C. Annual. Jan. 18. G.N. Derby and Foal Stakes, 1894-5. Jan. 19. Takapuna J.C. Summer. Jan. 24. Egmont Racing Club. Feb. 25. Egmont R.C. Sires Produce Stake. April 23. Takapuna J.C. Winter. May 19. Takapuna J.C. Winter.

WEIGHTS APPEAR.

- Dec. 27. Ormond Jockey Club. Dec. 27. Marton Jockey Club. Dec. 28. Auckland Trotting Club Summer. Jan. 3. Poverty Bay Turf Club. Jan. 3. Gisborne Racing Club. Jan. 4. Wellington Cup. Jan. 6. Takapuna Jockey Club Summer. Jan. 10. Egmont Racing Club. Jan. 11. Bay of Plenty J.C. Annual. Jan. 11. Wellington R.C. Summer. Jan. 16. Takapuna Jockey Club Summer. Jan. 17. Bay of Plenty J.C. Annual. Jan. 28. Takapuna Jockey Club Summer. Feb. 4. Egmont Racing Club Hacks. Feb. 15. Egmont Racing Club. May 12. Takapuna Jockey Club Winter.

ACCEPTANCES DUE.

- Dec. 24. Auckland Foal Stakes. Dec. 26. Waerenga-a-Hika Jockey Club. Dec. 26. Ormond Jockey Club. Dec. 29. Auckland Trotting Club Summer. Dec. 29. Marton Jockey Club. Jan. 5. Poverty Bay Turf Club. Jan. 7. Gisborne Racing Club. Jan. 16. Wellington R.C. Summer. Jan. 17. Bay of Plenty J.C. Annual. Jan. 20. Wellington Cup (final payment). Jan. 20. Takapuna Jockey Club Summer. Jan. 24. Egmont Racing Club. Jan. 28. Takapuna Jockey Club Summer. Feb. 11. Egmont Racing Club. Feb. 15. Egmont Racing Club. May 19. Takapuna Jockey Club Winter.

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Sporting Review.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1892.

SOMETHING unique in the history of the totalisator regime in New Zealand has occurred, the Colonial Secretary having come into collision with one of the Metropolitan Racing Clubs of New Zealand. Since that circular ament the 10 per cent. or 1 1/2 per cent. totalisator commission to be charged, which was issued from the Colonial Secretary's Department some few weeks back, and which was so ambiguously worded that none of the Clubs interested knew whether it was

mandatory or otherwise, we are not surprised at anything that issues from the Colonial Secretary's office in connection with the Rules of Racing. Not even were we surprised when we found a Metropolitan Club that was doing its best to uphold the Rules of Racing passed by several conferences of Metropolitan Clubs—some of which conferences may practically be said to have been held by request of the Government in order that a check should be put on excessive racing—flouted by the gentleman who now "wields the ribbons" as Colonial Secretary. The Metropolitan Club we refer to is the Auckland Racing Club, and the other Club the Northern Wairoa Racing Club, which has its headquarters at Dargaville.

LET us briefly summarise the facts before us. Our readers will have noticed that in the SPORTING REVIEW of the 17th ult. a programme was advertised by the Northern Wairoa Racing Club for a meeting on December 26 and 27, which the advertisement said would not be subject to the Auckland Racing Club's rules. It seems that when the programme was originally submitted to the Auckland Racing Club's Committee they took exception to it on the ground of the dates selected, and referred it back to the N.W.J.C. In this we must say we think they were wrong, as we said at the time they declined to grant the Thames people authority to race on Boxing Day and the day following—but there is a sequel. The programme was some weeks afterwards re-submitted to the A.R.C. committee, and the committee declined—without any question of dates—to pass it because the amount of added money did not comply with that provided for in the Rules of Racing. This committee meeting was held on October 7. The Northern Wairoa Racing Club then placed themselves in communication with the Colonial Secretary, and openly defied the Auckland Racing Club by advertising their programme as "not to be subject to the Auckland Racing Club's rules." The Colonial Secretary then asked the A.R.C.'s committee for their grounds of objection, and the secretary, acting of course under the committee's instructions, replied thus:—

If the Colonial Secretary wishes it passed will do so if rules complied with as to added money.

FURTHER correspondence between the Colonial Secretary's department and the A.R.C. followed with the result that the latter body telegraphed to the official indicated—

No objection was raised to amount added money Northern Wairoa Racing Club's programme, because consideration of details of programme by committee was postponed on account of date clashing as already stated. Programme was considered by committee on September 16, after the rule relating to added money passed. The programme does not provide added money according to the rule of racing which has been enforced against all other Clubs similarly situated, and the committee must therefore respectfully decline to pass it in its present form.

Nothing could have been more plainly worded than that, in our opinion, and if the Colonial Secretary's department knew anything about the Rules of Racing, or even the trouble the Metropolitan Clubs have taken to mould them into form and effect their working with the object of silencing the cry of "too much racing" they would have accepted the A.R.C.'s committee's dictum and plainly worded protest and have declined to hear any more of the Northern Wairoa Racing Club. But that is just what they did not do. Evidently one of the "Great Liberal Party" not unconnected with racing in Dargaville had got the ear of the Colonial Secretary, for that functionary wired back to the A.R.C.—

After careful consideration the Colonial Secretary has decided the case of the Northern Wairoa Racing Club is an exceptional one, and he has therefore granted totalisator license for December 26th and 27th.

"Careful consideration" is an alliterative phrase that is hardly apt, and it would be interesting to know how long the "careful consideration" occupied, and what was the full text of the representations made to the Colonial Secretary by interested parties. We are of course quite aware that under the Gaming and Lotteries Act the Colonial Secretary is invested with such powers that he can grant a totalisator license to or withhold one from whomsoever he chooses, but his action on the present occasion in defiance to the expressed opinion of a Metropolitan Club who naturally looked for their authority to be upheld, and who it was only natural should have a better grasp of the situation than the Colonial Secretary, was to say the least of it, very ungracious. Of course, in any case, the horses, etc. taking part in the Northern Wairoa Racing Club would,

when the programme was run off contrary to the Rules of Racing, have been disqualified by the Metropolitan Club, but the A.R.C. Committee after receiving the Colonial Secretary's ultimatum, passed the following resolution at a meeting they held on Tuesday last:—

That notification be sent to the secretary of the Northern Wairoa Racing Club and to the Press that horses, owners, trainers and jockeys taking part in the races to be held on the 26th and 27th of the present month at the Northern Wairoa will be disqualified from taking part in all meetings to be held under the rules of the Metropolitan Clubs on account of the programme not being passed and not being in accordance with the Rules of Racing.

In our opinion the Auckland Racing Club come out of the whole matter a great deal better than does the Colonial Secretary. We shall be curious to see how far in future Sir Patrick Buckley of the officials of his department extend "careful consideration" to the requests of other clubs. If they stretch many more such points, the legalisation of the totalisator and the restriction of it within certain limits will be reduced to a farce.

Coming Events.

[BY SIR LAUNCELOT.]

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.

AUCKLAND will indeed be en fete during the next ten days or so. Christmas and New Year time has for many years in this city been an extra holiday time, so to speak, but this year it promises to be even more lively than any of its predecessors, for in addition to the special attractions provided by the Auckland Racing Club, the Auckland Trotting Club have put forth a bill of fare which eclipses anything in the same line heretofore attempted in New Zealand. Though the Auckland Racing Club are not favoured with the presence of so many horses as have visited here for the Summer gathering in some previous seasons, still the various events have mostly filled well, and in the Cup especially there are some tip-top performers engaged. At the time of writing the weather has every prospect of being fine, and it is to be hoped that we shall have no rain at Ellerslie on either Boxing Day, New Year's Day, or the concluding day of the A.R.C.' Summer Meeting.

The A.R.C.'s card on Boxing Day will be commenced with the

TRIPLE STAKES

of 80sovs. one mile and a distance, w.f.a., with certain allowances for maidens. This is a race that has figured in the same position on the card for some years, and its conditions are such that it merits better encouragement from owners than it has now received. There are only half-a-dozen engaged, and curiously enough not one of them is a maiden. Of this half-dozen Brown Alice and The Dancer are in the same interest, and of the pair I prefer the filly, but to try and pick it in one I select Tir.

To students of pedigree and lovers of juveniles bred from fashionable strains the next item will afford more interest than a dozen handicaps, for it is the

GREAT NORTHERN FOAL STAKES

of 300sovs, for two-year-olds only, six furlongs; colts to carry 8.10 and fillies and geldings 8.5. The acceptance list shows a septette, and I hardly think, bar accidents, anything will drop out on Saturday at noon when forfeit has to be declared. The half dozen are, I am glad to say, running in different ownerships, so that we should see a rare "go" among these juveniles. Of the lot, Pegasus and Eve have won races this season, and Heart of Oak has got into a place; Royal Rose has run respectably, although he has not earned anything for his owner; but Yattenfeldt, Mahoki, and Reflector have not yet been seen with the colours up.

The last-named is Mr. Stead's solitary representative in the stake, and as he has been sent up all the way from Christchurch it is reasonable to presume that he has done something good at home with the two crack two-year-olds that have carried the "yellow and black" this season—Stowan and Geraint. Both of these for some reason were not entered for this Foal Stake, and the fact of Mr. Stead sending Reflector up as his sole representative in their enforced absence would infer that he will be handy at the finish. However he has two good ones to "take down" in the shape of Pegasus and Eve, both of whom have already demonstrated their ability to slip along. I fancy that Eve prefers five furlongs to six, and therefore I shall take